

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
)	No. 4:23 CR 335 SEP
v.)	
)	
JAMES R. LAMBERT,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

GUILTY PLEA AGREEMENT

Come now the parties and hereby agree, as follows:

1. PARTIES:

The parties are the defendant, James R. Lambert, represented by defense, counsel William Marsh, and the United States of America (hereinafter "United States" or "Government"), represented by the Office of the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri. This agreement does not, and is not intended to, bind any governmental office or agency other than the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri. The Court is neither a party to nor bound by this agreement.

2. GUILTY PLEA:

Pursuant to Rule 11(c)(1)(A), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, in exchange for the defendant's voluntary plea of guilty to Counts I through V of the Superseding Indictment, the government agrees that no further federal prosecution will be brought in this District relative to the events that gave rise to the Indictments in this case that are known to the Government at this time.

The parties agree that the recommendations contained herein fairly and accurately set forth some guidelines that may be applicable to this case. At the time of sentencing, the Government agrees to recommend a sentence of six hundred (600) months imprisonment to be followed by lifetime supervised release and applicable assessments and restitution. The parties further agree that the defendant may request any available sentence. The parties understand that the Court is neither a party to nor bound by the Guidelines recommendations agreed to in this document.

The defendant knowingly and voluntarily waives any right, title, and interest in all items seized by law enforcement officials during the course of their investigations, whether or not they are subject to forfeiture, and agrees not to contest the vesting of title of such items in the United States, including, but not limited to:

- a. a Fujitsu hard drive SN K61ET912AUMJ
- b. a Toshina hard drive SN X402S73KS
- c. A Western Digital hard drive SN WX31A73L6811
- d. a Seagate hard drive SN 9WMSSHQD
- e. a Western Digital hard drive SN WMAYU1584825
- f. a Seagate hard drive SN6EX04D1K
- g. a Seagate hard drive SN ZFL2HF7P
- h. an Intel hard drive SNBTNR02440HKD1P0B
- i. a Western Digital hard drive SN WX61E883JCPK
- j. a Western Digital hard drive SN WX62D20CZPRZ
- k. an Apple iPhone 6+ cellular telephone SN F2LNV1N8G5R1
- l. an Apple iPhone 4s SN C39H604ADTD8
- m. an Apple iPod Touch SN 1D8491X2201
- n. a BlackBerry Tour 9630 cellular telephone
- o. a Lexar flash drive
- p. a SanDisk flash drive SN BM160325364B
- q. a SanDisk flash drive
- r. a floppy disc
- s. a SD card
- t. a Toshiba laptop computer
- u. an ACER laptop computer
- v. an Alienware laptop computer
- w. a Dell tower computer
- x. a Sony tower computer

The defendant agrees that said items may be disposed of by law enforcement officials in any manner.

3. ELEMENTS:

As to Counts I and II, the defendant admits to knowingly committing the offenses of production of child pornography and violating Title 18, United States Code, Section 2251(a), and admits that there is a factual basis for the plea and further fully understands that the elements of the crime of production of child pornography which he admits to knowingly committing and for which he admits there is a factual basis are: (1) defendant knowingly used a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct, (2) for the purpose of producing a visual depiction of such conduct, and (3) said visual depiction was produced using materials that have been transported in interstate or foreign commerce.

As to Count III, the defendant admits to knowingly violating Title 18, United States Code, Section 2422(a), and admits there is a factual basis for the plea and further fully understands that the elements of the crime of Coercion and Enticement are: (1) the defendant knowingly attempted to persuade, induce, entice or coerce an individual to travel across one or more state lines and in interstate commerce, (2) with the motivation and purpose of engaging in one or more sexual acts with that individual (3) that such sexual acts are acts for which the defendant could be charged with criminal offenses in that the defendant believed such individual was under the age of seventeen years and at least five years younger than the defendant who was more than 21 years old.

As to County IV, the defendant admits to knowingly violating Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252A(a)(2), and admits there is a factual basis for the plea and further fully understands that the elements of the crime of Receipt of Child Pornography which he admits to

knowingly committing and for which he admits there is a factual basis are: (1) defendant knowingly received (2) using any means or facility of interstate or foreign commerce, including by computer, (3) images of child pornography, (4) which were visual depictions where the production of such visual depictions involved the use of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct and such visual depictions were of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

As to Count V, the defendant admits to knowingly violating Title 18, United States Code, Section 2241(c), and admits there is a factual basis for the plea and further fully understands that the elements of the crime of Aggravated Sexual Abuse with a Child which he admits to knowingly committing and for which he admits there is a factual basis are: (1) the defendant crossed a state line (2) with the intent to engage in a sexual act with another person who had not attained the age of 12 years.

4. FACTS:

The parties agree that the facts in this case are as follows and that the government would prove these facts beyond a reasonable doubt if the case were to go to trial. These facts may be considered as relevant conduct pursuant to Section 1B1.3:

Between 2007 and 2018, the defendant, a relative of an individual identified as Victim 1, sexually abused Victim 1 for over ten years when Victim 1 was a minor between the ages of 6 years and 17 years. The defendant was between the ages of 25 years and 34 years at the time sexually abused Victim 1. There were over 50 incidences of sexual abuse by the defendant upon juvenile Victim 1 over this ten-year period. This sexual abuse occurred in St. Charles County, Missouri and in other states as well as foreign countries. The defendant transported juvenile Victim 1 across state and national borders for the purpose of sexually abusing Victim, including

but not limited to sexual abuse in Illinois, Nevada, Kentucky, France, and Switzerland. When the defendant transported Victim 1 across state lines to places including but not limited to Illinois and Kentucky, Victim 1 was between the ages of 6 years and 11 years.

The defendant told Victim 1 that it was normal to be sexually touched and the defendant told Victim 1 that he loved him. Victim 1 felt scared to tell anyone about the sexual abuse because the defendant told him he needed to keep it a secret. Additionally, the defendant had minor Victim 1 view child pornography with him on at least one occasion. The defendant also video recorded numerous incidents of his sexual abuse of juvenile Victim 1.

As a young adult, Victim 1 came forward and reported the sexual abuse by the defendant. Victim 1 also expressed concern that the defendant may be sexually abusing another juvenile family member identified as Victim 2. The defendant did, in fact, sexually abuse Victim from the time that Victim 2 was 6 years to age to 9 years of age. The defendant sexually abused Victim 2 in St. Charles County and in St. Louis County.

A state search warrant was obtained for the residence of the defendant and was executed on May 18, 2023. Multiple electronics were seized from the basement where the defendant resided. A Sony digital video camera was seized that Victim 1 identified as the camera used to record sexual abuse of Victim 1 by the defendant.

Forensic analysis by the St. Charles County Cybercrime Task Force revealed that child sexual abuse material was located on the defendant's electronics to include at least 800 files of child pornography depicting Victim 2 being sexually abused by the defendant and 39 files of child pornography depicting Victim 1 being sexually abused by the defendant. Additionally, the defendant received and possessed at least 1185 files of child pornography that he downloaded

from the internet depicting the sexual abuse of victims whose identities are unknown, several of whom are infants being subjected to sexual abuse by adults.

The electronics that the defendant used to produce and maintain the child pornography depicting his abuse of Victim 1 and Victim 2 were manufactured outside of the state of Missouri and travelled in interstate and/or foreign commerce prior to the defendant's possession and use of them.

5. STATUTORY PENALTIES:

As to Counts I and II, the defendant fully understands that the maximum possible penalty provided by law for the crime of production of child pornography to which he is pleading guilty is imprisonment of not less than fifteen years and not more than thirty years, and a fine of not more than \$250,000. The Court may also impose a period of supervised release of not more than life and not less than five years. Additionally, assessments, restitution and other costs as set forth more fully below may be ordered in addition to such imprisonment, fine and supervised release.

As to Count III, the defendant fully understands that the maximum possible penalty provided by law for the crime of coercion and enticement of a minor to which he is pleading guilty is imprisonment of not more than twenty years, and a fine of not more than \$250,000. The Court may also impose a period of supervised release of not more than life and not less than five years. Additionally, assessments, restitution and other costs as set forth more fully below may be ordered in addition to such imprisonment, fine and supervised release.

As to Count IV, the defendant fully understands that the maximum possible penalty provided by law for the crime of receiving child pornography to which he is pleading guilty is imprisonment of not less than five years and not more than twenty years, and a fine of not more than \$250,000. The Court may also impose a period of supervised release of not more than life

and not less than five years. Additionally, assessments, restitution and other costs as set forth more fully below may be ordered in addition to such imprisonment, fine and supervised release.

As to Count V, the defendant fully understands that the maximum possible penalty provided by law for the crime of Aggravated Sexual Abuse of a Minor to which he is pleading guilty is imprisonment of not less than thirty years and not more than life, and a fine of not more than \$250,000. The Court may also impose a period of supervised release of not more than life and not less than five years. Additionally, assessments, restitution and other costs as set forth more fully below may be ordered in addition to such imprisonment, fine and supervised release.

Additionally, per 18 U.S.C. § 2259A, defendant fully understands that for offenses committed on or after December 7, 2018, in addition to other criminal penalty, restitution or assessment authorized by law, the Court may impose an assessment for each count of not more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) as to Counts I and II, and thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) as to Count IV.

Pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3014, for offenses occurring on or after May 29, 2015, the Court is required to impose an assessment of \$5,000 per case on any non-indigent defendant convicted of an offense under Chapters 110 (relating to sexual exploitation and other abuse of children including violations of 18 U.S.C. §2252A), 117 (relating to transportation for illegal sexual activity and related crimes including violations of 18 U.S.C. §2422) or 109A (relating to sexual abuse including violations of 18 U.S.C. §2241(c)).

Pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3013, the Court is required to impose a mandatory special assessment of \$100 per count for a total of \$500, which the defendant agrees to pay at the time of sentencing. Money paid by the defendant toward any restitution or fine imposed by the Court shall be first used to pay any unpaid mandatory special assessment.

6. U. S. SENTENCING GUIDELINES: 2018 MANUAL:

The Defendant understands that this offense is affected by the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and the actual sentencing range is determined by both the Total Offense Level and the Criminal History Category. The parties agree that the following are the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines Total Offense Level provisions that apply.

A. Chapter 2 Offense Conduct:

1. Chapter 2 Offense Conduct, Counts One & Two, Production of Child

Pornography:

(a) **Base Offense Level:** The parties agree that the base offense level is thirty-two (32) as found in Section 2G2.1(a).

(b) **Specific Offense Characteristics:** The parties agree that the following Specific Offense Characteristics apply:

(i) four (4) levels should be added pursuant to Section 2G2.1(b)(1)(A) because the victim had “not attained the age of twelve years,”

(ii) two (2) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(2)(A) as the offense involved “the commission of a sexual act or sexual contact,”

(iii) four (4) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(4) as the offense involved material that portrays “sadistic or masochistic conduct or other depictions of violence,”

(iv) two (2) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(5) as the defendant was a “relative” of the minor involved in the offense, or “if the minor was otherwise in the custody, care, or supervisory control of the defendant,” and

(v) two (2) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(6) “the use of a computer or an interactive computer service” to “persuade, induce, entice, coerce, or facilitate the travel of, a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct, or to otherwise solicit participation by a minor in such conduct.”

2. Chapter 2 Offense Conduct, Count Three, Coercion and Enticement of a

Minor:

(a) **Base Offense Level:** The parties agree that the base offense level thirty-two (32) as found in Section 2G2.1(a) and Section 2G1.3(c)(1).

(b) **Specific Offense Characteristics:** The parties agree that the following Specific Offense Characteristics apply:

(i) four (4) levels should be added pursuant to Section 2G2.1(b)(1)(A) because the victim had “not attained the age of twelve years,”

(ii) two (2) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(2)(A) as the offense involved “the commission of a sexual act or sexual contact,”

(iii) four (4) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(4) as the offense involved material that portrays “sadistic or masochistic conduct or other depictions of violence,”

(iv) two (2) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(5) as the defendant was a “relative” of the minor involved in the offense, or “if the minor was otherwise in the custody, care, or supervisory control of the defendant,” and

(v) two (2) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(6) “the use of a computer or an interactive computer service” to “persuade, induce, entice, coerce, or

facilitate the travel of, a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct, or to otherwise solicit participation by a minor in such conduct.”

3. Chapter 2 Offense Conduct, County Four, Receiving Child Pornography:

(a) **Base Offense Level:** The parties agree that the base offense level thirty-two (32) as found in Section 2G2.1(a) and Section 2G2.1(c).

(b) **Specific Offense Characteristics:** The parties agree that the following Specific Offense Characteristics apply:

(i) four (4) levels should be added pursuant to Section 2G2.1(b)(1)(A) because the victim had “not attained the age of twelve years,”

(ii) two (2) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(2)(A) as the offense involved “the commission of a sexual act or sexual contact,”

(iii) four (4) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(4) as the offense involved material that portrays “sadistic or masochistic conduct or other depictions of violence,”

(iv) two (2) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(5) as the defendant was a “relative” of the minor involved in the offense, or “if the minor was otherwise in the custody, care, or supervisory control of the defendant,” and

(v) two (2) levels should be added pursuant to 2G2.1(b)(6) “the use of a computer or an interactive computer service” to “persuade, induce, entice, coerce, or facilitate the travel of, a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct, or to otherwise solicit participation by a minor in such conduct.”

4. Chapter 2 Offense Conduct, Count Five, Aggravated Sexual Abuse:

(a) **Base Offense Level:** The parties agree that the base offense level is thirty-eight (38) as found in Section 2A3.1(a).

(b) **Specific Offense Characteristics:** The parties agree that the following Specific Offense Characteristics apply:

- (i) two (2) levels should be added pursuant to Section 2A3.1(b)(3) because the victim was “in the custody, care, or supervisory control of the defendant,”
- (ii) two (2) levels should be added pursuant to 2A3.1(b)(3) as the offense involved “the use of a computer or an interactive computer service” to “persuade, induce, entice or coerce a minor to engage in prohibited sexual conduct” and to “facilitate transportation or travel, by a minor or a participant, to engage in prohibited sexual conduct.”

B. Chapter 3 Adjustments: The parties recommend the following adjustments:

(1) Combined Offense Level: The parties agree that three (3) levels should be added pursuant to 3D1.1 – 3D1.5, and further agree that the Combined Offense Level is forty-nine (49).

(2) Acceptance of Responsibility: The parties agree that three (3) levels should be deducted pursuant to Section 3E1.1(a) and (b), because the defendant has clearly demonstrated acceptance of responsibility and timely notified the government of the defendant’s intention to plead guilty. The parties agree that the defendant's eligibility for this deduction is based upon information presently known. If subsequent to the taking of the guilty plea the government receives new evidence of statements or conduct by the defendant which it believes are

inconsistent with defendant's eligibility for this deduction, the government may present said evidence to the court, and argue that the defendant should not receive all or part of the deduction pursuant to Section 3E1.1, without violating the plea agreement.

C. Chapter 4 Adjustments: The parties agree that five (5) levels should be added pursuant to Section 4B1.5(b) as the defendant engaged in a pattern of activity involving prohibited sexual conduct.

D. Estimated Total Offense Level: The parties estimates that the Total Offense Level is forty-three (43) pursuant to 5A, Application Note 2.

E. Criminal History: The determination of the defendant's Criminal History Category shall be left to the Court. Either party may challenge, before and at sentencing, the finding of the Presentence Report as to the defendant's criminal history and the applicable category. The defendant's criminal history is known to the defendant and is substantially available in the Pretrial Services Report.

F. Effect of Parties' U.S. Sentencing Guidelines Analysis:

The parties agree that the Court is not bound by the Guidelines analysis set forth herein. The parties further agree that they may not have foreseen all applicable Guidelines. The Court may, in its discretion, apply or not apply any Guideline despite the Guideline analysis set forth herein and the parties shall not be permitted to withdraw from the plea agreement. The Government recognizes it is bound by any specific agreements made herein but reserves the right to answer any questions the U.S. Probation Office or the Court might have related to sentencing or present evidence at the Court's request.

7. WAIVER OF APPEAL AND POST-CONVICTION RIGHTS:

a. Appeal: The defendant has been fully apprised by defense counsel of the defendant's rights concerning appeal and fully understands the right to appeal the sentence under Title 18, United States Code, Section 3742.

(1) Non-Sentencing Issues: The parties waive all rights to appeal all non-jurisdictional, non-sentencing issues, including, but not limited to, any issues relating to pretrial motions, discovery and the guilty plea, the constitutionality of the statute to which the defendant is pleading guilty and whether defendant's conduct falls within the scope of the statute.

(2) Sentencing Issues: In the event the Court accepts the plea and, after determining a Sentencing Guidelines range, sentences the defendant within or below that range, then, as part of this agreement, the defendant hereby waives all rights to appeal all sentencing issues other than Criminal History, but only if it affects the Base Offense Level or Criminal History Category. Similarly, the Government hereby waives all rights to appeal all sentencing issues other than Criminal History, provided the Court accepts the plea and sentences the defendant to a sentence of six hundred (600) months imprisonment or more.

b. Habeas Corpus: The defendant agrees to waive all rights to contest the conviction or sentence in any post-conviction proceeding, including one pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 2255, except for claims of prosecutorial misconduct or ineffective assistance of counsel.

c. Right to Records: The defendant waives all rights, whether asserted directly or by a representative, to request from any department or agency of the United States any records pertaining to the investigation or prosecution of this case, including any records that may be

sought under the Freedom of Information Act, Title 5, United States Code, Section 522, or the Privacy Act, Title 5, United States Code, Section 552(a).

8. OTHER:

a. Disclosures Required by the United States Probation Office:

The defendant agrees to truthfully complete and sign forms as required by the United States Probation Office prior to sentencing and consents to the release of these forms and any supporting documentation by the United States Probation Office to the government.

b. Civil or Administrative Actions not Barred; Effect on Other Governmental

Agencies:

Nothing contained herein limits the rights and authority of the United States to take any civil, tax, immigration/deportation or administrative action against the defendant.

c. Supervised Release:

Pursuant to any supervised release term, the Court will impose standard conditions upon the defendant and may impose special conditions related to the crime defendant committed. Some of these special conditions may include that defendant not possess a computer or internet access, that defendant not have contact with minors without the authorization of the Probation Officer, that defendant participate in sexual offender counseling, and that defendant not maintain a post office box. In addition, as a condition of supervised release, the defendant shall initially register with the state sex offender registration in Missouri and shall also register with the state sex offender registration agency in any state where defendant resides, is employed, works, or is a student, as directed by the Probation Officer. The defendant shall comply with all requirements of federal and state sex offender registration laws.

These and any other special conditions imposed by the Court will be restrictions with which defendant will be required to adhere. Violation of the conditions of supervised release resulting in revocation may require the defendant to serve a term of imprisonment equal to the length of the term of supervised release, but not greater than the term set forth in Title 18, United States Code, Section 3583(e)(3), without credit for the time served after release. The defendant understands that parole has been abolished.

d. Mandatory Special Assessment: Pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3013, the Court is required to impose a mandatory special assessment of \$100 per count for a total of \$500 which the defendant agrees to pay at the time of sentencing. Money paid by the defendant toward any restitution or fine imposed by the Court shall be first used to pay any unpaid mandatory special assessment.

Pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3014, for offenses occurring on or after May 29, 2015, the Court is required to impose an assessment of \$5,000 per case on any non-indigent defendant convicted of an offense under Chapters 110 (relating to sexual exploitation and other abuse of children including violations of 18 U.S.C. §2252A), 117 (relating to transportation for illegal sexual activity and related crimes including violations of 18 U.S.C. §2422) or 109A (relating to sexual abuse including violations of 18 U.S.C. §2241(c)).

Additionally, per 18 U.S.C. § 2259A, defendant fully understands that for offenses committed on or after December 7, 2018, in addition to other criminal penalty, restitution or assessment authorized by law, the Court may impose an assessment for each count of not more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) as to Counts I and II, and thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) as to Count IV.

e. Possibility of Detention: The defendant shall be subject to immediate detention pursuant to the provisions of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3143.

f. Fines, Restitution and Costs of Incarceration and Supervision:

The Court may impose a fine, restitution (in addition to any penalty authorized by law), costs of incarceration and costs of supervision. The defendant agrees that any fine or restitution imposed by the Court will be due and payable immediately. Pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 3663A and 2259, an order of restitution is mandatory for all crimes listed in Sections 3663A(c) and 2259. The amount of mandatory restitution imposed shall include all amounts allowed by Sections 3663A(b) and 2259 and the amount of loss agreed to by the parties, including all relevant conduct loss.

g. Forfeiture:

The defendant knowingly and voluntarily waives any right, title, and interest in all contraband items and materials seized by law enforcement officials during the course of their investigation, whether or not they are subject to forfeiture, and agrees not to contest the vesting of title of such items in the United States. The items seized that will be returned include, but are not limited to, the items described in Section 2 of this Guilty Plea Agreement. The defendant agrees that forfeited items may be disposed of by law enforcement officials in any manner. The defendant consents that the Court may enter a consent preliminary order of forfeiture any time before sentencing, and such Order will become final as to the defendant when it is issued and will be part of the sentence. The defendant agrees not to object to any administrative, civil, or criminal forfeiture brought against any assets subject to forfeiture. The defendant will execute any documents and take all steps needed to transfer title or ownership of said assets to the Government and/or to rebut the claims of nominees and/or alleged third party owners. The

defendant knowingly and intelligently waives all constitutional, statutory, and equitable challenges to any forfeiture carried out in accordance with this plea agreement, including but not limited to that defendant was not given adequate notice of forfeiture in the charging instrument.

9. ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND WAIVER OF THE DEFENDANT'S RIGHTS:

In pleading guilty, the defendant acknowledges, fully understands and hereby waives his rights, including but not limited to: the right to plead not guilty to the charges; the right to be tried by a jury in a public and speedy trial; the right to file pretrial motions, including motions to suppress or exclude evidence; the right at such trial to a presumption of innocence; the right to require the government to prove the elements of the offenses charged against the defendant beyond a reasonable doubt; the right not to testify; the right not to present any evidence; the right to be protected from compelled self-incrimination; the right at trial to confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses; the right to testify and present evidence and the right to compel the attendance of witnesses. The defendant further understands that by this guilty plea, the defendant expressly waives all the rights set forth in this paragraph.

The defendant fully understands that the defendant has the right to be represented by counsel, and if necessary, to have the Court appoint counsel at trial and at every other stage of the proceeding. The defendant's counsel has explained these rights and the consequences of the waiver of these rights. The defendant fully understands that, as a result of the guilty plea, no trial will, in fact, occur and that the only action remaining to be taken in this case is the imposition of the sentence.

Defendant understands that by pleading guilty, defendant will be subject to federal and state sex offender registration requirements, and that those requirements may apply for life. The defendant understands that defendant must keep said registrations current, shall notify the state

sex offender registration agency or agencies of any changes to defendant's name, place of residence, employment, or student status, or other relevant information. Defendant shall comply with requirements to periodically verify in person said sex offender registration information. Defendant understands that defendant will be subject to possible federal and state penalties for failure to comply with any such sex offender registration requirements. If defendant resides in Missouri following release from prison, defendant will be subject to the registration requirements of Missouri state law. Defendant further understands that, under 18 U.S.C. § 4042(c), notice will be provided to certain law enforcement agencies upon release from confinement following conviction. Defense counsel has advised the defendant of the possible sex offender registration consequences resulting from the plea.

The defendant is fully satisfied with the representation received from defense counsel. The defendant has reviewed the government's evidence and discussed the government's case and all possible defenses and defense witnesses with defense counsel. Defense counsel has completely and satisfactorily explored all areas which the defendant has requested relative to the government's case and any defenses.

If the defendant is not a U.S. citizen, the guilty plea could impact defendant's immigration status or result in deportation. In particular, if any crime to which defendant is pleading guilty is an "aggravated felony" as defined by Title 8, United States Code, Section 1101(a)(43), removal or deportation is presumed mandatory. Defense counsel has advised the defendant of the possible immigration consequences, including deportation, resulting from the plea.

10. VOLUNTARY NATURE OF THE GUILTY PLEA AND PLEA AGREEMENT:

This document constitutes the entire agreement between the defendant and the

government, and no other promises or inducements have been made, directly or indirectly, by any agent of the government, including any Department of Justice attorney, concerning any plea to be entered in this case. In addition, the defendant states that no person has, directly or indirectly, threatened or coerced the defendant to do or refrain from doing anything in connection with any aspect of this case, including entering a plea of guilty.

The defendant acknowledges having voluntarily entered into both the plea agreement and the guilty plea. The defendant further acknowledges that this guilty plea is made of the defendant's own free will and that the defendant is, in fact, guilty.

11. CONSEQUENCES OF POST-PLEA MISCONDUCT:

After pleading guilty and before sentencing, if defendant commits any crimes, other than minor traffic offenses, violates any conditions of release that results in revocation, violates any term of this guilty-plea agreement, intentionally provides misleading, incomplete or untruthful information to the U.S. Probation Office or fails to appear for sentencing, the United States, at its option, may be released from its obligations under this agreement. The Government may also, in its discretion, proceed with this agreement and may advocate for any sentencing position supported by the facts, including but not limited to obstruction of justice and denial of acceptance of responsibility.

12. NO RIGHT TO WITHDRAW GUILTY PLEA:

Pursuant to Rule 11(c) and (d), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the defendant understands that there will be no right to withdraw the plea entered under this agreement, except where the Court rejects those portions of the plea agreement which deal with charges the government agrees to dismiss or not to bring or as set forth in Paragraph 2 above.

2/27/24

Date

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JAMES R. LAMBERT

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